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FROM: Donald D. Weber, Assistant Director

DATE: November 20, 2006

SUBJECT: Striping of Centerlines; Use of 6 inch separating space

Longitudinal centerlines placed along our highways should be 4 inch wide lines (typical unless otherwise directed by the Traffic Section) separated by a 6 inch space. The purpose for providing a 6 inch space between the longitudinal lines is to allow for the installation of raised pavement markers (RPM) and for the maintenance of these pavement markings. With the current 4 inch space, Central District Signing and Pavement Markings is experiencing overspray onto the RPM reflectors.

The change to the 6" spacing should be implemented immediately and any new, or remaining segments of centerline striping on projects should be installed in this manner. In

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instances where new centerlines meet into existing pavement markings the new centerlines should "butt" into the existing markings.

Should you have any questions regarding this change or the placement of these markings, please contact Larry Prince of Central District's Signing and Pavement Markings at 760-2589.

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